

### Subpart A—General

#### § 585.1 Authority.

(a) *General.* The Youthbuild program is authorized under subtitle D of title IV of the National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8011), as added by section 164 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102–550).

(b) *Authority restriction.* No provision of the Youthbuild program may be construed to authorize any agency, officer, or employee of the United States to exercise any direction, supervision, or control over the curriculum, program of instruction, administration, or personnel of any educational institution, school, or school system, or over the selection of library resources, textbooks, or other printed or published instructional materials used by any educational institution or school system participating in a Youthbuild program.

#### § 585.2 Program purpose.

The purposes of the Youthbuild program are set out in section 451 of the National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 12899) (“NAHA”).

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#### § 585.3 Program components.

A Youthbuild implementation program uses comprehensive and multidisciplinary approaches designed to prepare young adults who have dropped out of high school for educational and employment opportunities by employing them as construction trainees on work sites for housing designated for homeless persons and low- and very low-income families. A Youthbuild planning grant is designed to give recipients sufficient time and financial resources to develop a comprehensive Youthbuild program that can be effectively implemented. Youthbuild programs must contain the three components described in paragraphs (a), (b) and (d) of this section. Other activities described in paragraph (c) of this section are optional:

(a) *Educational services*, including:

(1) Services and activities designed to meet the basic educational needs of participants. For example, a Youthbuild program may include basic skills instruction and remedial edu-

cation, bilingual education for individuals with limited English proficiency, secondary educational services and activities designed to lead to the attainment of a high school diploma or its equivalency (GED), or counseling and assistance in attaining post-secondary education and required financial aid;

(2) Vocational classroom courses geared to construction terminology and concepts; and

(3) Strategies to coordinate with local trade unions and apprenticeship programs where possible.

(b) *Leadership training, counseling and other support activities*, including:

(1) Activities designed to develop employment and leadership skills, including support for youth councils;

(2) Counseling services to assist trainees in personal, health, housing, child care, family or legal problems and/or referral services to appropriate social service resources;

(3) Support services and stipends necessary to enable individuals to participate in the program and, for a period not to exceed 12 months after completion of training, to assist participants through continued support services;

(4) Job development and placement activities and post-graduation follow-up assistance; and

(5) Pre-employment training plan aimed at developing job seeking skills.

(c) *Other activities.* A local program may be designed to include other, special activities such as:

(1) Entrepreneurial training and courses in small business development;

(2) Assistance to correct learning disabilities; or

(3) Drivers' education courses.

(d) *On-site training*, through actual housing rehabilitation and/or construction work. This component must include:

(1) Access to housing sites where construction/ rehabilitation work is being carried out;

(2) Work site training plan for a closely supervised construction site;

(3) Construction or rehabilitation plan and timetable; and

(4) Approaches to work site safety.

(e) The Youthbuild implementation program must be structured so that 50 percent of each full-time participant's time is spent in educational services

and activities (paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of this section) and 50 percent is spent in on-site training (paragraph (d) of this section). Youthbuild planning grant applications must contain strategies, plans and approaches to be used during the planning process to ultimately implement these program requirements.

#### § 585.4 Definitions.

The terms “adjusted income,” “community based organization,” “homeless individual,” “housing development agency,” “Indian tribe,” “individual who has dropped out of high school,” “institution of higher education,” “limited-English proficiency,” “low-income family,” “offender,” “State,” and “very low-income family” are defined in section 457 of NAHA.

The terms *Secretary* and *1937 Act* are defined in 24 CFR part 5.

*1992 Act* means the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992.

*Access to housing* applies to Youthbuild implementation grants required to document that the program has access to the housing project(s) for young adult on-site training, e.g. program participants have permission to work on the housing site.

*Applicable residential rental housing quality standards* shall mean those standards of the applicable HUD or other Federal, State or local program providing assistance for residential rental housing involved in a Youthbuild implementation grant as used under section 455(a), Youthbuild Program Requirements, of the Act.

*Applicant* means a public or private nonprofit agency, including:

- (1) A community-based organization;
- (2) An administrative entity designated under section 103(b)(1)(B) of the Job Training Partnership Act;
- (3) A community action agency;
- (4) A State or local housing development agency;
- (5) A community development corporation;
- (6) A public and/or Indian housing authority and resident management corporations, resident councils and resident organizations;
- (7) A State or local youth service or conservation corps; and

(8) Any other entity (including States, units of general local government, and Indian Tribes) eligible to provide education and employment training.

*Combined Youthbuild application* means the submission by an applicant of a single application to HUD for a planning and implementation grant request for one Youthbuild program.

*Consolidated Plan* means the document that is submitted to HUD that serves as the planning documents (comprehensive housing affordability strategy and community development plan) of the jurisdiction and an application for funding under any of the Community Planning and Development formula grant programs which is prepared in accordance with the process described in 24 CFR part 91.

*Full-time participation* for program eligible participants is limited to not less than 6 months and not more than 24 months.

*Graduates* are those participants who have completed the full-time education/on-site training components of a Youthbuild program and who are eligible to take advantage of meaningful opportunities in continued education, in owning their own businesses, in meaningful employment or in other means by which the participant can attain economic self-sufficiency.

*Homeless Act* means the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 11301 et seq.).

*JTPA* means the Job Training Partnership Act (P.L. 102-235), as amended.

*Participant* means:

- (1) An individual who is:
- (i) 16 to 24 years of age, inclusive, at time of enrollment;
  - (ii) A very low-income individual or a member of a very low-income family; and
  - (iii) An individual who has dropped out of high school.
- (2) An exception of not more than 25 percent of all full-time participants is permitted for young adults who do not meet the program’s income or educational requirements but who have educational needs despite attainment of a high school diploma or its equivalent.